No. R. 3340— *L. R.* 216-06-3, *dated 21st September* 1906.

Under Section 6 of the Land Acquisition Regulation, No. VII of 1894, it is hereby declared that the lands described hereunder are required for a public purpose, *viz.*, for opening out Malur-Mahishi road, and under Sections 7 and 3 (c) of the said Regulation, the Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Shimoga group of taluks is authorized to take order for the acquisition of the said lands :—

District	Taluk	Hobli	Village	Name of khatedar	Survey No.	Total extent	Assessment	Extent now required	Boundaries			
								Extent	East	West	North	South
						A. g.	Rs a. p.	A. g				
Shimoga.	Tirthahalli.	Nandagadde	Mahishi.	Venkatapur Agrahar Inam	21	6 17	15 0 0	0 19	Village site	Mahishi Agrahar.	River.	Survey No. 1.
			Kasagar	Niravaniah ...	26	12 30	26 0 0	0 18	Survey No. 27.	Survey Nos. 24 and 25	Survey Nos. 27 and 25.	Survey Nos. 23, 22, 14 and also halla.
				Do ...	27	19 28	17 0 0	0 11	Survey Nos. 28, 73, 75 and 76	Survey Nos. 26, 25 and 74	Boundary of Malur.	Survey Nos. 14 and 26
			Malur	Narasimhiah .	6	13 13	5 8 0	0 11	Boundary of Nandagadde.	Village site and Survey No. 7	Survey No. 5.	Boundary of Kasagar and Nandagadde.
				Do ...	9	13 28	5 8 0	0 5	Boundary of Kasagar.	Boundary of Hiretota.	Survey Nos. 8 and 10	Boundary of Kasagar.
				Puttanniah ...	19	7 17	3 0 0	0 3	Survey Nos. 11, 13, 18 and 17	Survey No. 20.	Survey No. 21.	Do

No. R. 3485—*L. R.* 226-06-2, *dated 28th September* 1906.

The following order, passed by Government, under the powers conferred by the Mysore Land Revenue Code, 1888, is published under Section 234 thereof :—

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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(1) The following extracts from the office note on the subject of rubber cultivation :—

1. Grants of land for rubber cultivation have been sanctioned in the following cases :—

   i. Mr. Strickland (1903-04). About 250 acres in each of three different localities of the Shimoga District : Nagavalli, Barlimaranahalli and Mandagadde. (The last was subsequently refused.)

   ii. Mr. Pilkington (14th September 1905). 297 acres in Koppa Taluk.

   iii. Mr. Bonner (20th January 1906). 40 acres in Yedahalli Sub-Taluk.

   iv. Captain Lethbridge (8th January 1906). 847 acres in the Jagar valley, Chikmagalur Taluk.

2. The conditions laid down in these cases may be summarised as follows :—

   i. That the lands should be held free of assessment the first five years.

   ii. That they should be assessed at Re. 1½ per acre from the sixth year.

   iii. That the work of planting should be commenced within one year from the date of grant.

   iv That the actual plots chosen shall be approved by the Forest Department.

   v. That for the *bona fide* requirements of cultivation the grantee shall be at liberty to remove under-growth (all shrubs and trees, whether reserved or not, the growth of which is not more than 18 inches) and to make thinnings without

touching trees of the reserved kind and that he should allow the Forest and Revenue officials to see that these and other conditions are conformed to; also that the grantee be allowed to take timber required for building and fencing purposes like other raiyats; that the grantee shall have no right to cut, lop, or in any way injure the sandal trees, by clearing or burning the forest growth in their vicinity and that all trees and shrubs within a radius of 10 feet of a sandal tree or sapling shall be strictly preserved.

vi. That the Forest or Revenue Department should be allowed to cut and remove valuable timber trees which are not required for purposes of shade.

vii. That the grant shall be liable to summary resumption on failure of the grantee to comply with any of the above conditions. On this question, the decision of the Deputy Commissioner shall be final.

3. The above conditions are only tentative; and since rubber cultivation in the State is still in its experimental stage and sufficient experience has not been acquired as to the conditions most favourable to its profitable production consistently with the requirements of forest conservancy and other interests of Government, it has not been found possible to lay down any definite rules as to the exact concessions that should be granted. In the meantime and pending full investigation of the possibilities of rubber cultivation and the terms and conditions subject to which grants may be made, applications for lands on a large scale for rubber cultivation are not being granted.

4. Of the tentative conditions referred to above, that in regard to the prohibition of the felling of trees has not worked well. In one case the grantee would appear to have cut down trees, both reserved and unreserved, in contravention of the terms of the grant, and even set fire to whole areas for the purpose of clearing them for rubber planting. In another case also, the grantee has cut down all trees on the land granted to him, but has offered to pay their value to Government.

5. In granting lands for rubber cultivation the first point to be considered is what localities in the Mysore State are suited for successfully growing the different kinds of rubber. On this point, definite information is not available.

It seems desirable before large tracts of land are given out for rubber cultivation that the possibilities of the different parts of the State should be definitely ascertained and recorded.

6. Another point to be guarded against is the possibility of injury to valuable forest lands.

The expediency of retaining the condition in regard to the prohibition of the felling of trees has also to be considered. This is a difficult condition to enforce as experience abundantly shows. The full value of the trees on the tract applied for may be recovered from the applicant or the lands sold in auction subject to an upset price equivalent to the value of the trees.

7. In order to prevent speculative applications, it is necessary that there should be adequate guarantees that the applicants know something of rubber cultivation and its requirements.

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(2) Notice No. R. 147, dated the 5th July 1906, inviting all persons interested in rubber cultivation and also all intending applicants for lands for such cultivation, to be present at a Conference proposed to be held at the Public Offices at Bangalore on the 16th August 1906, in order to enable the Government of His Highness the Maharaja to hear at first hand any representations which they may wish to make and on the other hand to give the latter an opportunity of learning the views held by Government in the matter of the terms and conditions relative to the grant of lands for rubber cultivation in Mysore.

(3) Proceedings of the Conference held at the Public Offices at Bangalore on the 16th August 1906.

No. R. 3474-84—L. R. 226-06-1, DATED BANGALORE, 28TH SEPTEMBER 1906.

ORDER THEREON.—After careful consideration of the question of the grant of land for rubber cultivation in all its aspects, and having due regard to the results of the experience, as far as available, gained during recent years both in Mysore and elsewhere, and also to the